

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended.

The Examiner's objections to the drawings are believed to be overcome by the amended drawing submitted herewith. Accordingly, withdrawal of this ground of objection is respectfully requested. Formal drawings will be submitted upon the indication of allowable subject matter.

Claim 17 has been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer, in order to reduce the issues and expedite prosecution. Claims 1, 3-16, 18-22, and 24-28 are pending for further consideration.

Turning to the merits, Claim 25 is allowable for at least the reasons set forth in Applicants' Response of October 14, 2004 regarding Claim 1. Accordingly, Claims 1, 3-16, 18-22, and 24-28 are allowable.

Applicants have earnestly endeavored to place this application in condition for allowance and an early action to that end is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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